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Dining delights

Left, Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt, Hockey Hall of Fame inductees Scotty Morrison and Angela James enjoy themselves at the dinner and roast to kick off the third annual Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament in Minden on Friday, Feb. 4. See more on page 3. **Darren Lum** Times staff

Dorset fire report to be released

Chad Ingram

Staff reporter

The report surrounding the events at the Dorset fire hall is complete and will be available to the public next week.

In October, more than half of the 12-member Dorset volunteer department quit their posts for reasons that largely pertaining to a dispute with Algonquin Highlands's training officer Ryan Reesor.

The details of the dispute have never been made public.

Council commissioned a report from North Bay fire professional Ted McCollough regarding the matter and that report will be made available on the township's website Feb. 14 and hard copies will be available Feb. 15.

The process, which took four months, culmi-

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Cat poisoned, Kushog man says

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

It seems that a second Kushog Lake-area pet has died from antifreeze.

Last month, the *Times* ran a story about a German shepherd who had been poisoned with bags of antifreeze-laden meat its owner had found on her property on Twin Rocks

Lane, just off Walker Line.

Now a second pet-owner believes his cat was poisoned with antifreeze.

Milton Sheppard, who lives just a kilometre or so down the road from the house where the German shepherd lived, visited the *Times* office last week.

Sheppard said his cat had died last April of antifreeze consumption and after seeing the story about the dog, decided to come forward.

"I didn't really tell any people about it," he said of the cat's death, even though he said his pet's demise was suspicious.

Sheppard had owned the cat for eight years.

"This cat was like a dog to me," he said, adding that it was more affectionate than most cats.

While the animal would go out and roam, Sheppard said it would always return home within a few hours, definitely for the night.

In April, the animal disappeared for more than 24 hours. "Then, all of a sudden, it shows up again," he said.

But the animal was acting strange upon its return and within a couple of days, it could hardly stand.

"We took it to a vet up near Haliburton," he said, adding that the vet determined the cat had antifreeze coursing through its system.

It was dead shortly after.

Sheppard found the fact the cat's strange behaviour and death followed its 24-hour absence suspicious and believes someone poisoned his pet.

There are more than 40 residences on the road, only seven-year round.

Sheppard said he hasn't had issues with any of his neighbours and does not believe anyone who lives on the road is responsible.

He is convinced, however, that someone is poisoning animals near Kushog Lake.

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Less snow than January 2010

by **Phil Graham**
Special to the *Times*

Average high, -5°C, 23°F
Average low, -14°C, 6.8°F
Average for the month, -9.9°C, 14.1°F
Average for last January, -8.5°C, 17.6°F
Highest temperature Jan. 8, 8°C, 46°F
Lowest temperature, -30°C, -22°F
Rain, 24.6 mm, 9 inches
Snow, 41 cm, 1.6 inches
Total precipitation, 65.6 mm, 2.5 inches

Total precip last January, 89.4 mm, 3.5 inches
Days with rain or snow, 10
Days mostly sunny, 10
Snow on ground Jan. 31, 28 cm, 11 inches
Snow on ground last Jan. 31, 41 cm, 16 inches

A new year and a new month and still winter. At least a little less snow compared to last January. The average temperature this January was cooler. The snow on the ground Jan. 31 was much less this year. We had the January thaw early this winter. New Year's weekend - that was when we got the high temperature of 8°C. The low was -30°C several mornings.

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Call for Choreographers and Bands for Dusk Dances in Haliburton

Dusk Dances Haliburton is seeking a work created by a choreographer from the Haliburton County area. We are looking for a 10 minute site-specific dance piece for the program using local young people. A professional fee will be paid to the choreographer to conduct a creation process with youth participants and to mount the performance July 28-July 31, 2010 in Head Lake Park, Haliburton.

We are also seeking a local band or musical group that can attract an audience of all ages to perform as the opening act for Dusk Dances. A fee will be paid for four ½ hour performances.

Deadline for submissions: Monday March 7, 2011.

For a copy the terms of reference contact:
Daniela Pagliaro at daniela.p@sympatico.ca

Dusk Dances Haliburton is a project of the Haliburton County Community Co-operative.

Hockey great visits Minden for charity dinner

The third annual Scotty Morrison charity tournament went off without a hitch this weekend starting in Minden with a catered dinner and finishing in Haliburton with a high-profile hockey tournament.

Hockey Hall of Fame inductee Angela James was on-hand at this year's dinner at the community centre, catered by 212, along with former NHL officials Ray Scapinello, Ron Wicks and Bryan Lewis.

The Canadian amputee hockey team took on the local OPP and NHL alumni team at the Dysart arena Saturday in the tournament that included 22 teams during the three-day event.

The tournament was held to benefit Community Care Haliburton County.



Darren Lum Times staff Centre, Hockey Hall of Fame inductee Angela James, who was the first female hockey superstar, laughs as Scotty Morrison, right, is "roasted" during the dinner of the Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament on Friday, Feb. 4.



Players chase a loose puck during the third annual Scotty Morrison Charity Hockey Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 5.

AH unveils new municipal website

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Algonquin Highlands has launched its new website.

The new site, which is active now, was unveiled at a Feb. 3 council meeting.

The new site was commissioned by the previous council and its oversight put in the hands of a website sub-committee consisting of staffers Gayle Short and Mark Coleman and then-councillor, now-Reeve Carol Moffatt.

"It doesn't have any fancy bubbles, or things that move or things that sing or anything," Moffatt said, but added the new website did provide all the amenities that people wanted.

Moffatt called the process, which has taken about a year, long and arduous.

With a fresh, clean look, the website provides all kinds of information about the township, its various departments and services, as well as upcoming events and news updates.

There is a link for water trail reservations and a photo

gallery as well.

"I think we've done pretty good," Short told councillors, adding that the sub-committee soon learned that \$10,000 for a new website was a fairly limited budget.

The site was designed by Peterborough's Whatever Solutions and Media Inc.

Short expected the new site would decrease the number of phone calls for basic municipal information that staff get.

Councillor Gary Schultz had some criticisms of the new site.

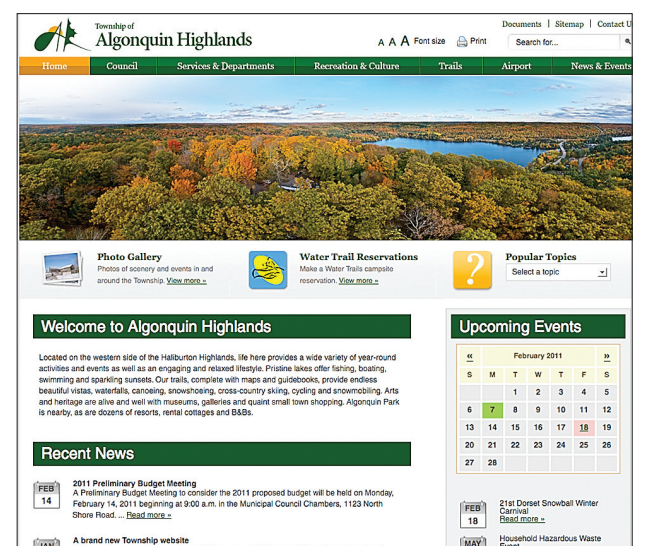
"Once you get beyond the first picture . . . it's flat," Schultz said. "It's very municipal-looking."

Schultz thought the site should focus more on the fact the township is the western gateway to Algonquin Provincial Park.

"This is not a tourism site . . . this is a municipal site," Moffatt said.

"This is a work in progress," said Short, adding that improvements could be made along the way.

To see the new site, visit www.algonquinhighlands.ca.



Algonquin Highlands hopes that the new website will reduce phone calls to the municipal office.

Does Oxtongue Lake want a high-speed Internet tower?

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

A Huntsville businessman says he wants to construct a high-speed Internet tower in Oxtongue Lake.

Michel Potvin of 4pairless Communications Inc. visited Algonquin High-

lands councillors at their Feb. 3 meeting, requesting a letter of support for the construction of a 30-metre tower in the small community near Algonquin Provincial Park.

A letter of support from council, Potvin said, was part of proving to Industry Canada that he had completed a public consultation process.

Off the bat, Councillor Gary Schultz, who owns Oxtongue Lake's Algonquin Lakeside Inn, declared a conflict of interest, saying he was a potential customer and beneficiary of the project and removed himself from the conversation.

Reeve Carol Moffatt wanted to know how the people of Oxtongue Lake felt about the project, noting there have been concerns in the area before over communication towers being built without what was perceived to be an involved public consultation process.

Potvin said he'd talked to a number of the community's resort owners and that their biggest concern seemed to be how soon the tower could go up. Currently, residents and businesses in Oxtongue Lake rely mainly on dial-up or Internet sticks for connection to the World Wide Web.

"There is a perception in Oxtongue Lake that build it and they will come," Potvin said.

"I don't know that's good enough for government," Moffatt said, adding she'd like to see list of people Potvin had spoken to and their responses.

She reiterated that before council could support the project, it needed to be clear there was a want for it in the community.

"Oxtongue often feels like the forgotten community," she said.

Chief administrative officer Angie Bird wanted

to know what the government required to prove there was enough public desire for the project.

"One letter wouldn't represent a community opinion," Bird said. "When do they determine that it's sufficient support?"

"They just want some letters," Potvin responded.

He said he hadn't gotten many formal, written responses thus far.

Councillor Gordon Henderson wondered if a letter of support from council might encourage more people to respond.

Moffatt thought that a letter of support from council should be driven by the will of the people.

Deputy-reeve Liz Danielsen wanted to know if Potvin's project was linked in anyway to the Eastern Ontario Regional Network, a project of the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus, which is striving to fill gaps in Internet service throughout this part of the province by 2013.

Potvin said his operation was completely separate from that project.

He said he would need at least 20 customers to make the project worthwhile.

Councillors requested Potvin present them with a list of Oxtongue Lake residents he'd consulted with and how many people were supportive of the project.



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Deal with province a gem for the county

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Haliburton County is ready to rock out thanks to some help from the Ministry of Natural Resources.

On Monday, a bunch of lapidary equipment – that is, machines used for the cutting, shaping and polishing of rocks – from the Frost Centre was handed over to Algonquin Highlands township.

Reeve Carol Moffatt and Haliburton Geological Society co-founder Michael Bainbridge are hoping the acquisition of the equipment will help the county to incorporate recreational geology as part of its tourism identity.

The process started a year ago when Moffatt, with the aid of then-reeve Eleanor Harrison, began correspondence with the Ontario Realty Corporation about the township's desire to acquire the equipment.

Moffatt had been in contact with a number of local organizations – Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council, Minden Hills Cultural Centre, Fleming College and Yours Outdoors among them – who expressed interest in having the machinery available for use in the community.

"I'm kind of acting on behalf of different groups in the county," said Moffatt, who was at the Frost Centre along with Bainbridge and a handful of volunteers on the morning of Feb. 7.

While Moffatt said the township has no use for the equipment, it does have space to store it until a suitable location can be found.

"The first part of the program was essentially a resource inventory," Bainbridge said.

In the fall, he and Moffatt were allowed access to the centre and took note of all the items – marked with MNR serial numbers – that they wanted.

These items, which haven't been used since before the province shut the centre down in 2004, include various kinds of grinders, saws and worktables, used for the processing of jewelry stones.

Most of the machinery is not operational, but Bainbridge and fellow lapidary artist Terry Craig should be able to fix it up with a little time and money.

Bainbridge said that, when it's working, he'd value the equipment at between \$15,000 and \$20,000.

Where the machinery will be kept is still up in the air.

"There needs to be a facility where it can be housed," Bainbridge said. "What form that facility will take is yet unclear."

Moffatt hopes the various groups who'd expressed interest in the equipment will get together to discuss where it will be kept.

"I'd hate to see it fizzle," she said. "This is not Haliburton County's first attempt to make good of what is already here."

Moffatt said she'd done a bit of work with mineral tourism years ago as part of her work with the local chamber of commerce.

Bancroft centres its tourism image around minerals and some of the sites it uses for its recreational geology activities are actually located within Haliburton County.

Bainbridge, who co-founded the local geological society with fellow enthusiast Steve Smith last year, received \$10,000 in 2009 and another \$4,000 in 2010 from the Haliburton County Development Corporation towards promoting mineral tourism.

The promotion of mineral tourism is a priority for the province's Ontario's Highlands Tourism Organization, of which the county is part.

"It all has the potential to tie in," Moffatt said.

Chad Ingram Times staff
Local lapidary artist and Haliburton Geological Society co-founder Michael Bainbridge explains how this diamond-edged saw is used to slice rock. The saw is one of several pieces of lapidary equipment the MNR has turned over to Algonquin Highlands township.

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points of view

Time to rock

IT'S TIME for Haliburton County to start embracing and promoting recreational geology as part of its identity.

For many a decade, the county's hundreds of lakes and its plethora of aquatic summertime recreational opportunities

have served as the engine of its tourism industry, supplemented by its kilometres upon kilometres of picturesque snowmobile trails during the winter months.

While its twin pillars of tourism have served it well, if the county is to continue to grow and flourish, it needs to pack a few more arrows in its quiver.

Enter recreational geology.

Not far to our northeast, Bancroft invests much of itself in mineral tourism, an effort that brings thousands of people – professional and amateur geologists, jewelers, collectors and families – to that community each year.

It seems to me that here on the foot of the Canadian Shield, we enjoy a topography similar to that of Bancroft.

Now, I'm not suggesting for a second that I'm some sort of geology expert, or that I even know much about the science.

Heck, I don't know an adakite from an amphibolite from an anorthosite.

In fact, I have no idea what any of those things are.

Thanks Google.

What I do know is that there is a demand for mineral tourism and that it's growing and that we've got the proverbial

goods.

Did you know, dear readers, that Bancroft even carries out some of its mineral tourism activities at sites within Haliburton County?

True story.

Earlier this week, Algonquin Highlands acquired from the MNR a whack of lapidary equipment – machines for cutting and polishing rocks – that it will house until community groups that have expressed interest in using the machinery decide what to do with it and where it will be kept.

It was acquired free from the province mostly due to efforts by Algonquin Highlands Reeve Carol Moffatt and Haliburton Geological Society co-founder and granite guru Michael Bainbridge.

The machines, which are in need of a few repairs, allow an opportunity not only to further the incorporation of mineral tourism into the county's menu, but also play into its drive towards creative economy and serve to enrich its cultural tapestry.

The user groups that have expressed interest in the machinery need to get together to decide how it will be used, and where.

And county councillors and their economic development department need to come together to support and promote recreational geology in the area.

It is time for Haliburton County to rock out.



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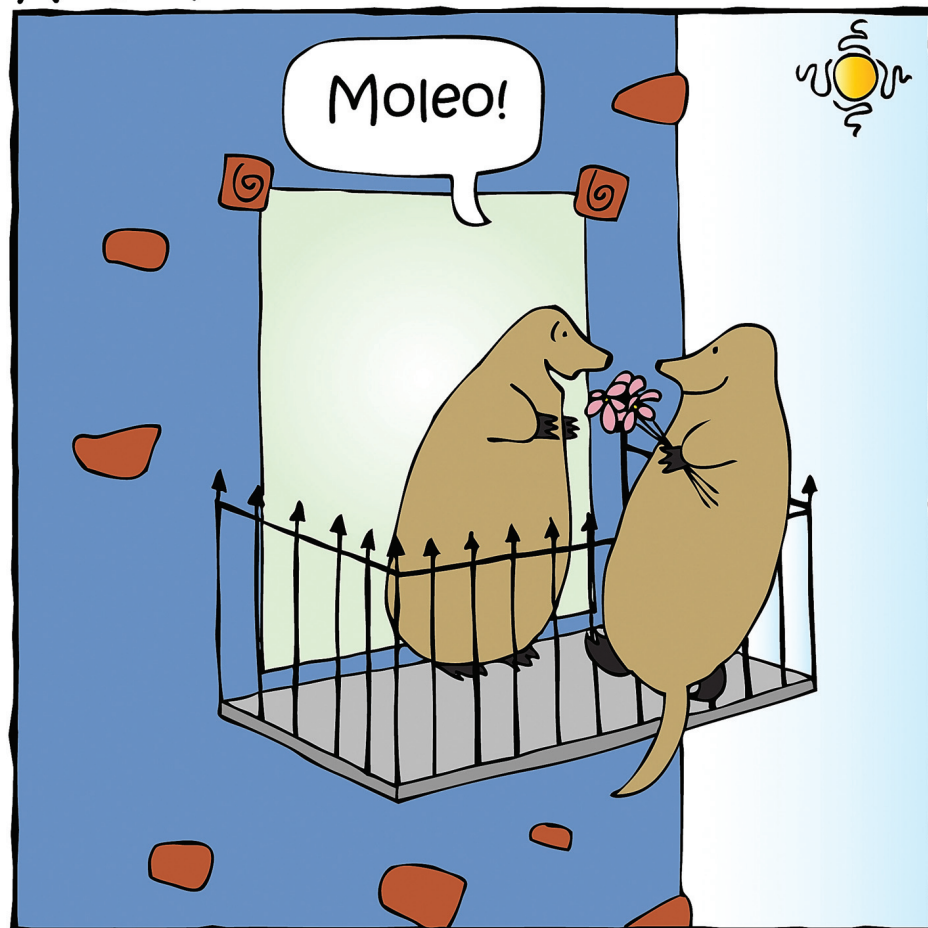
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letters to the editor

Minden to represent on curling rink during Winterfest Games

To the Editor,

I thought I would write in to the paper to inform readers that in next week's Ontario Senior Games, Minden is well represented in the sport of curling.

As new residents of the area my wife and I joined the Minden Curling Club and have been more than welcomed into the fold by people such as Steve and Audrey Robson

and Jack and Winn Taylor who will represent the County of Haliburton in these games. We wish them much success! The curling competition begins Feb. 16 at 9 a.m. at the Minden Curling Club. Good luck to all participants, (especially Haliburton).

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points of view

Sad news indeed

THE WORLD OF JACKASSES was struck with some tragic news this week when a 40-year-old Russian donkey, that was forced to go parasailing last summer, finally succumbed to the world's longest heart attack. Attend-ants said that it was caused by the stress of parasailing.

I'm not sure, but I think there's a valuable lesson somewhere in all of this.

Possibly that life is too short not to go parasailing when you can. But also that parasailing can make life too short. Yes, it's a confusing lesson, but a valuable one nonetheless. Hopefully, this might make people think twice about the flip side of an active lifestyle too.

In any case, Anapka lived a relatively quiet life right up until a Russian tourism company discovered her in an out of the way single's barn. There and then, they decided that a parasailing donkey would be good for business. It

was a no-brainer. She had great legs.

For Anapka, that's when things really took off. Next thing you know she was an unwilling public figure making appearances on YouTube and international news broadcasts. There's even rumour that she spent some time in rehab.

Regardless, most folks were sympathetic to her plight and suggested that she was being exploited.

I happen to believe that the tourism company was way out of line too. After all, there's a worldwide recession going on right now and combined with a lack of high-paying jobs in the donkeying profession, most beasts of burden have very little disposable income for travel, let alone parasailing. What were they thinking?

Sure, the image of the poor, unsophisticated donkey has been given a boost by all those Shrek movies, but life is still not all that glamorous for them. Many of them live in deplorable conditions. Despite anti-bullying campaigns, tail-pin-ning is still a major issue for them.

And yet Anapka was truly a pioneer. It is, after all, difficult for donkeys to break into the television commercial industry. And Anapka wasn't a spring chicken any more. In fact, she had just hit the big 4-0, a time when most donkeys decide to slow down a bit and take up golf or curling.

And now she's gone.

This, of course, is not the time to debate the tragedy that has befallen the international donkey community.



Steve Galea
Beyond 35

Instead, it is time to consider the tragedy that has befallen the international tourism industry.

I think it is fair to say that it will no longer be considered fashionable to fly unwilling donkeys over a lake in order to convince people to visit said lake. Nor will they have any luck with water skiing donkeys either, I suspect.

Perhaps, in time, but now it's just too soon.

If there is some good that came of this, it is that the world's media is now focused on jackass related issues that, for once, don't involve politicians.

Heck, in researching this story, I chased a lead about a circus trainer who was trying to teach his donkey to be a passenger on a tandem bicycle. Of course, activists in the community stopped this. No one wanted to see him peddle his ass. I, for one, am thankful.

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Beggar thy brother

THE WORLD WE LIVE IN has become so complex that we can draw conclusions only by disregarding the details. Only The Brown Dog Jiggs can understand it. Sort of like this paragraph.

Ideologues assume their assigned positions on one side or the other of any public debate without hardly having to think about the issues at all. Take two kinds of taxes, corporate and property, for example.

Those of us of the leftish persuasion flinch at the prospect of a proposed tax cut that will put more profits in the pockets of the streets Wall and Bay, further fattening the fat cats.

Fair enough, except much of those profits turn into dividends that keep private pension funds afloat and juice up mutual funds and give working people the prospect of a decent retirement.

The corporate rate would be lower here than in the United States, a lure that is supposed to flood us with U.S. investment dollars. Trouble is, U.S. corporations will still pay the U.S. rate on their Canadian investments and just thinking about what that means makes my head ache.

So much for corporate taxes. As for

property taxes, cottagers with a chunk of Gull Lake real estate are awash on a sea of despair as they contemplate a galloping inflation rate. (Talk about your mixed metaphors!)

We'll put aside the fact that they aren't getting much for their tax dollars, which has been another column and probably will be again.

Just the rate of tax inflation makes them so angry they could spit. So angry that they put long-serving politicians out to pasture, confident that a new broom will make their township shipshape again.

Sitting in a cabin in the bush on Sapsucker Ridge, it's difficult to gauge the political sophistication of the voters who cast their ballot for the elimination of profligate spending.

Did all of them or most of them or just some of them know that the main driver of property tax increases is market-value assessment on cottage properties, not spending?

Did all of them or most of them or just some of them know that the township is just a conduit for most of the taxes it collects, which wind up in the

hands of the county or funding education?

Did all of them or most of them or just some of them know that much of what the township keeps for itself has to be spent on programs mandated by the province? Policing, for example? Most of the rest it gets wasted on plowing snow, which would have melted by the time the cottagers come back, anyhow.

But there is no more certain path to electoral success than a promise of lower taxes. It worked here, and it worked in the Big Smoke, too, where the new mayor has been urged by an impartial journalist to have the guts to face up to Big Labour.

Contracts and laws evidently are just technicalities and if some politician up here in the bush hasn't considered that approach, that doesn't mean she won't sometime in the future.

Politicians join the corporate choir that sings the virtues of lower pay for the jobs nobody else wants to do. If you are stupid enough to accept a job that puts dirt under your fingernails, you

deserve to be punished for it.

The lyrics to that hymn is written by men and women who have never had a callus on their hands and look with disdain on those of you who do.

That gut check a few paragraphs back was intended for a mayor who wants to take decent jobs away from the men whose job it is to clean up the garbage set by the curb by the folks who voted for him.

Municipal workers are all loafers anyhow, or so goes verse two of the hymn just quoted. The loafers in my old East York neighbourhood moved at a brisk trot from driveway to driveway, scooping up the trash. No fitness clubs for them!

It is an odd world we live in, where the middle class shrinks ever smaller, still believing the path to salvation is to take from the poor to give to the rich. Robin Hood was an outlaw.

A collection of Neil Campbell's columns, Cell Phones and Sap Buckets, is available in stores across Haliburton County.

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the proposed by law ad here

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING AN APPLICATION
FOR A ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT
JOHNSON, MANN – RZ-10-10(P)**

TAKE NOTICE that the Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills has received an application (referenced RZ-10-10(P) for an amendment to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law 06-10 and will hold a public meeting on THURSDAY, March 10, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at the Minden Hills Municipal Office (7 Milne St., Minden Village) to consider the proposed Zoning By-law amendment as required under Section 34 of the Planning Act.

Location of Subject Lands

The proposed Zoning By-law amendment applies to lands located in part of Lot 7, Concession 13 in the geographic Township of Minden. The lands are located on Highway 118 and the total area of the subject lands is approximately 0.81 hectares (2.0 acres).

Purpose and Effect of the Zoning By-law Amendment

The applicant has submitted an application for a Zoning By-law Amendment.

The subject property is currently zoned Rural Residential (RR) in Zoning By-law No. 06-10 of the Township of Minden Hills.

The purpose of the proposed zoning By-law amendment is to further amend By-law 06-10, Schedule '8', to permit the severance of an existing property with two separate dwelling units to continue with slightly reduced lot frontage and interior side yard setbacks. Also an existing accessory building will be recognized in its current location but restricted to its existing size and location.

Additional applications

The applicant has one application for consent in process and the zoning change is a condition of consent.

Representation

A public meeting will be held on THURSDAY, March 10, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. to consider the proposed Zoning By-law amendment. Any person may attend the public meeting and make written and/or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed amendment.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Council before the proposed amendment are passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Council of the Township of Minden Hills to the Ontario Municipal Board.

If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of Minden Hills before the Zoning By-law amendment is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

Information

Additional information relating to the proposed zoning by-law is available to the public for inspection at the Municipality of Minden Hills Planning Department during normal office hours.

Date of this Notice: February 9, 2011
(Ms.) Elinor Kernohan, AMCT, CMM, ACST
Planning Administrator
Township of Minden Hills
P.O. Box 359, 7 Milne Street
Minden, Ontario KOM 2K0

MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Feb 10th 10am : Committee of the Whole
Feb 13th 11am : Public Skating - Pharmasave
Feb 22nd 7pm : Public Meeting
Feb 24th 10am : Council Meeting

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE



THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS WILL HOLD BUDGET DELIBERATIONS AT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE/GENERAL COUNCIL ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10TH, 2011 AT 11:00 A.M. THE DRAFT BUDGET WILL BE POSTED ON THE MUNICIPAL WEBSITE ON OR BEFORE THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH, 2011.

A PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND, 2011 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 7 MILNE STREET, MINDEN.

THE MEETING IS BEING HELD TO REVIEW & HEAR PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING:

- A) TARIFF OF FEES & CHARGES PROPOSED FOR 2011
- B) 2011 BUDGET

THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS WILL CONSIDER BY-LAWS FOR THE PROPOSED 2011 TARIFF OF FEES & CHARGES AND 2011 BUDGET AT THE FEBRUARY 24TH, 2011 COUNCIL MEETING.

For further information please visit: www.mindenhills.ca; or contact

Lorrie Blanchard, Treasurer (705) 286-1260 ext. 204;
lblanchard@mindenhills.ca or Cheryl McCarroll, Clerk
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NOTICE CHANGE IN COUNCIL MEETING TIMES

Pursuant to the Township's Procedural by-law, notice is hereby given that the Open portion of all Committee of the Whole/General Council Meetings and all Regular Council Meetings will now start at 10:00 a.m.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact:

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- The successful candidate must have a solid knowledge of clerical functions, and be able to demonstrate strong computer skills and verbal and written communication skills. A minimum of 1-year experience in a related position is required.

Position Description: Clerical and office duties as assigned.

Qualified parties are invited to submit their resumes, in confidence, to The Township of Minden Hills, P.O. Box 359, Minden, Ontario KOM 2K0. Attention: Lorrie Blanchard, Treasurer.

Envelope should be clearly marked as to the position being applied for and submitted by 4:00 pm on **Tuesday, February 22, 2011.**

We thank all applicants for applying, but only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted. Personal information and supporting material is used in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.



Attention: Aggregate, Truck & Equipment Owners
Township Roads Department is requesting Tenders for:
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Attention: Kevin Hill, CRS-S Road Superintendent

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Equipment and Truck Rental for 2011.

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Minden, Ontario
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Attention: Kevin Hill, CRS-S Road Superintendent

Cleverly Marked **“Equipment Tender”** or **“Truck Rental”** no later than **Tuesday February 22, 2011 by 12:00 noon.** Tenders to be opened at 12:00 noon on Tuesday February 22, 2011.

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February 11 – March 10, Toys and Games Exhibit

This exhibit will look at toys, winter sports and games from Medieval to Depression Era.

February 12 – April 22, What's Here – Biodiversity in Haliburton County

Visit our stunning straw bale building and explore this exhibit to discover R.D. Lawrence's writings about our local ecosystem and what is being done locally and currently to preserve it.

February 21 - Family Day at the Museum

Family Day is also Heritage Day. So on February 21st bring the whole family to the Minden Hills Museum to discover and play some Pioneer and Medieval games. Learn about the history of popular games. Embrace the outdoors with pioneer winter activities. End the day with the popular Pioneer treats of Hot Apple Cider and Roasted Chestnuts. 10-5. Entry by donation.

February – March 26

Ice Huts & Villages

by Richard Johnson

This exhibition consists of a series of photographs capturing ice huts in Ontario. Johnson's visual style is simple yet intentional; isolating these structures against overcast gray, snowy backgrounds.

If you have a fun ice hut photo, send it with your name and location of where it was taken, to the gallery as a jpeg gallery@mindenhills.ca and we will post it for all to see!

February – March 26

They Sketch...They Paint!

Youth Art Exhibition

For three consecutive months youth of Haliburton county worked with artist Rose Pearson to create a body of artwork capturing their boundless imaginations.

Balthazar Bazaar a success

On Sunday, Jan. 30 at the S.G. Nesbitt Community Centre in Minden, a group of volunteers brought the first Balthazar Bazaar to Minden. The rules of the bazaar were simple. Buy a basket (small \$2, large \$3) – and whatever could be jammed into that basket was yours to keep!

Shoppers were presented with a huge assortment of gently used men's, women's and children's clothing, books, toys, bedding, furniture and housewares.

The idea for the bazaar came about after a group of local and seasonal residents decided to do a clothing drive. When the amount of clothing collected began to grow too large to hold in various garages, Ladd's Storage on Highway 35 and Deep Bay Road came to the rescue. For six months, a storage locker was provided free of charge and was used as the collection, drop-off and distribution site.

Many items were distributed throughout the fall and early winter to service providers and families in need. When the six months of free storage came to a close, it was decided that having a bazaar in Minden would be worth trying – and the Balthazar Bazaar was born. The name for the bazaar comes from three kings – Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar.

At the end of the day, \$355 was raised from the sale and will be donated to the Minden Food Bank. The money raised at the next bazaars will be donated to various service groups and not-for-profit organizations in our community.

Many many thanks to the businesses in our community who donated items and provided services and time. Without you, this could never have happened. Businesses who donated: Dollo's Foodland, Easton's Valu-Mart, Home Hardware, The Beer Store, Sears Minden, Stedman's, Ladd's Storage and the Minden Hills Community Centre.

Submitted by Brigitte Gall

Communities in Action steps toward Dorset

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

The county's Communities in Action committee has its sights set on Dorset.

The committee, which was founded in 2004 with the mandate of creating healthy and active communities in the county, has completed active transportation plans for Haliburton Village and Minden and is now shifting its focus to the hamlet on the dividing line of Algonquin Highlands and Lake of Bays townships.

Health promoter Sue Shikaze said the committee has chosen Dorset, because it's a condensed settlement area.

Active transportation plans include talks with government about infrastructure planning as well as an inventory and mapping of walking, hiking and biking resources.

Shikaze said the committee had made significant input during the township's recent review of its official plan.

"We gave a fair bit of information," Shikaze said. "A lot of those suggestions were incorporated in their plan."

Dorset has great recreational programming, Shikaze said, and hoped the plan could find safe ways of linking them through active transportation.

The committee is waiting on the approval of a provincial grant before it proceeds with the project. "Really, nothing will move forward until we find out if we get the grant or not," Shikaze said.

History of Whist

Caroline McLachlan Darling
Curator - Minden Hills Museum

Whist was a hugely popular Victorian card game.

Edgar Allen Poe mentioned the game in his tale *The Murders in the Rue Morgue*.

Jane Austen mentions the game in a number of her popular novels, such as *Emma*, *Pride and Prejudice*, *Mansfield Park* and *Sense and Sensibility*.

Historical fiction novels such as *Scarlet*, the sequel to *Gone With the Wind*, describes Scarlet O'Hara as an extremely skilful whist player.

Whist, an original derivative of the modern game of bridge, originated in the early 1600s. Its name means "attentive"; a very good requirement for this game.

At its start and until the early 1700s Whist was considered a game for the servants' hall.

By the middle of the 1700s, the game was being played by fashionable society at homes and coffee houses in London.

The 1800s saw the game develop an elaborate set of rules, etiquette, and techniques which upper societies spent time mastering. To this day, Whist continues to be played in Britain in local whist tournaments.

Playing the game

The game is played using a standard 52 card deck, with aces being high. Four people, two teams of two, sit opposite each other.

The deck is shuffled and the dealer deals out all the cards, with each player ending up with 13 cards. The final card, which is dealt to the dealer, is turned face up. This sets the trump suit and remains face up until the dealer plays his first card.

The player on dealers' left leads the first trick. In a clockwise order, the other players play a card. If they have a card in the same suit as was lead, they must play it. If they do not have a card in the suit then the player can either discard a card or play a card in the trump suit. The trick is won either by the highest card in the suit that was lead or, if a trump card was played, the person who played the highest trump card. Once a trick had been played it is placed face down next to the person who won it. The winner of the trick leads the next trick.

Scoring

Points are scored after all 13 tricks are played. The team which has won the most tricks in that round is awarded one point for each trick above six. For example, if a team has won nine tricks then they would be awarded three points.

Winning

The winning team is the first team to reach five points. Games take between one and nine rounds for one of the teams to reach five points.

Strategies

This game is all about trying to remember what cards have and have not been played. Since all cards in the deck are dealt, every card will appear before the end of the game. Remembering which ones have been played allows players the advantage of knowing how likely it is to win a trick.

When its your turn to lead a round its best to lead a card from your strongest suit which is often your longest one. It is also good to lead with a lower ranking high card in that suit. For example, if you have both a jack and a queen in a suit it is recommended that you play the jack first, this means the queen could still be in play.

Finally, since this is a team game, if your partner has the trick, it is usually best for you to throw away a lower card.



The card game Whist is believed to be the beginnings of Bridge.

Toys and Games Exhibit

Interested in the history of games? Want to see what pioneer toys looked like, come and try your hand at some of the more popular Victorian games at the Minden Hills Museum Toys and Games. With different events and activities happening each weekend this exhibit is one the whole family can enjoy. Open Tuesday to Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. until March 10. Admission to the cultural centre: Adults \$2, children \$1, family \$5. Toys and Games at the Minden Hills Museum. For further information, see www.mindenculturalcentre.com or call 286 3154.

Crokinole tournament

Saturday, Feb. 12

Come to the Minden Hills Museum on Saturday, Feb. 12 and compete in our first crokinole tournament. Open to adults and children alike, experienced and novices welcome. Entrance to the tournament is free with prizes for the winners. Registration closes at midday on the day. Crokinole tournament, Saturday, Feb. 12, part of Toys and Games at the Minden Hills Museum.

Family Day Monday, Feb. 21

Did you know Family Day is also Heritage Day? Bring the whole family out for Heritage Day, Monday, Feb. 21. Come to the Minden Hills Museum to see Toys and Games.

Make your own pioneer games to take home. Try your hand at a number of historic games and play some outdoor pioneer games. Then end the day with a nice cup of hot apple cider. Entry by donation.

BYO Games Day Saturday, Feb. 26

Do you have any old games in your cupboard? Games that you never get a chance to play? Bring them to the Minden Hills Museum BYO Games Day! Play them with others, or simply show and tell. BYO Games Day, Saturday, Feb. 26 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., part of Toys and Games at the Minden Hills Museum.

Whist Competition Saturday, March 5

Have you heard about the popular Victorian game Whist?

Mentioned in many of the Jane Austen novels, and also featured in *Around The World In Eighty Days*, Whist is a card game for the whole family. Come to the Minden Hills Museum to compete in our first Whist Drive on Saturday, March 5 at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Competitors can visit the Museum's Toys and Games Exhibit to learn the rules and to practice the game before the competition.

Admission to the cultural centre: Adults \$2, children \$1, and family \$5. Entrance to the tournament is free. Registration closes at midday on the day.

Report fully adopted by council

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nated in a six-hour closed session by councillors last week, where they decided upon approval of the report's 37 recommendations.

"And here's the key . . . decided upon," said Reeve Carol Moffatt, emphasizing that popular or not, council's decision to adopt the report was final.

Twenty-eight people were interviewed by McCollough and Moffatt said council thought it was fair those individuals be the first to see the report.

Copies of it are being sent to those individuals, which they should receive by the end of this week.

The township has left the lengthy document just as McCollough wrote it, save for a few grammatical changes.

It also includes his terms of reference and an introductory note from council.



We ask that people read and digest the report themselves.

— Carol Moffatt
Algonquin Highlands Reeve

"We ask that people read and digest the report themselves," Moffatt said.

The reeve emphasized the report was a review and not a mediation and that the new council had abided by former council's policy of keeping the situation at a proverbial arm's length and not taking

sides in the conflict.

Moffatt said the review includes recommendations that would not only improve operations at the Dorset station, but at the township's other departments as well.

"It's been a lot of work," she said, adding that the township's new council had been thorough and diligent in its discussion of the report and the very objective input of the two councillors with no personal acquaintances on the township's fire squad had proved very valuable.

As she has previously, Moffatt stressed she understood how emotional the situation has been for the community and said council tried to balance these concerns with legal upgrades surrounding fire services it is required to make.

The township is proud of its fire departments, Moffatt said, and is ready to move forward.



Snow problem

Minden residents were busy clearing off the community's sidewalks during heavy snowfall on Feb. 2. Chad Ingram Times staff



Lucky hand

Beech Lake cottagers Roger Buie and his 18-year-old daughter Sarah show off the lucky hand that won them the top-prize Ski-doo MX Z550 Sport snowmobile, which was supplied by Prentice Power Sports, at the conclusion of the inaugural Haliburton County Snowmobile Association Fundraising Poker Run on Saturday, Feb. 5. There were \$14,000 in prizes that were available to be won by approximately 100 riders, who completed a 98-km route that started from Stanhope and went to Haliburton, Gelert, Minden and returned. The HCSA did better than break even and have already committed to running the event next year, considering the same time, but a different start point. Darren Lum Times staff



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From left to right Owen Duhaime, Todd Johnston, Spencer Nuttall and Connor Duhaime.
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This winter has been incredibly easy to get through. Many thanks to those hard working guys that work around the clock to keep our roads clear.

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Thank you!

If you have any news you would like to share, birthdays, anniversaries or any other special date, please send them to my attention.

Have a great week!



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Township of Algonquin Highlands

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NOTICE

TO: ANY PARTY HAVING TITLE INTEREST IN THE LANDS UNDER APPLICATION known as Lots 26, 27 & 28, Concessions 6, 7 & 8 in the Geographic Township of Harburn, Township of Dysart et al., County of Haliburton and/or the Personal Representative of his, her or their estates or his, her or their heirs at law.

RE: Part of P.I.N. 39153-0233 (LT), being Part of Lots 26, 27 and 28, Concessions 7 and 8, Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lots 26 and 27, Concession 7 and Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Lot 26, Concession 8 (Closed by By-Law No. 2010-54 Registered as HA9224), Geographic Township of Harburn, Township of Dysart et al., County of Haliburton, and shown as Part 1 on the draft Reference Plan of Survey signed by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., and dated January 18, 2011;

AND RE: Part of P.I.N. 39153-0233 (LT), being Part of Lots 27 and 28, Concessions 7 and 8, Geographic Township of Harburn, Township of Dysart et al., County of Haliburton, and shown as Part 2 on the draft Reference Plan of Survey signed by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., and dated January 18, 2011. Subject to a right-of-way over Part 2, as in HA10117;

AND RE: Part of P.I.N. 39153-0138 (LT), being Part of Lot 27, Concession 6, Geographic Township of Harburn, Township of Dysart et al., County of Haliburton, and shown as Part 3 on the draft Reference Plan of Survey signed by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., and dated January 18, 2011.

The said draft Reference Plan of Survey signed by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., and dated January 18, 2011 is attached to an application registered as Instrument No. **HA13416** and is available for inspection at the Haliburton County Land Registry Office (No. 19) or the office of the Solicitor for the Applicant:

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8	Jeff Barry	806
9	Melissa White	796
10	Ian Kemp	779.25
11	Larry Southgate	777
12	Martin Schuster	774
13	Maie Arike	769
14	Matt Prichard	769
15	Michael Moxley	764
16	Chase Heinemann	763
17	Bob McKay	757
18	David Douglas	739
19	Orville Meeke	733
20	Jordan Hamilton	727
21	Nancy Holden	726.25
22	Denniella Rivard	726.25
23	Gerald Ainsworth	722.25
24	Paul Cameron	716.5
25	R Bell	716
26	Robert Mclvor	714.25
27	Pat Barry	712.25
28	JoAnne Sharpley	706
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30	Audrey Sedley	691.25
31	Ray Lymer	691
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Feedback from Sunday's Super Bowl seems more about the music than the Packers and Steelers. Not only were there problems with the Black-Eyed Peas' performance but award-winning singer Christina Aguilera joined the list of super stars who forgot the words to the American national anthem. Bruce always carried the words to O Canada in his pocket when attending municipal functions after having to suddenly substitute for an absent vocalist at the Safe Driving Awards." Scarborough councillors remembered that and he was called down from the Indianapolis stands at the opening ceremonies of the Peace Games, an annual competition between the cities of Indianapolis and Scarborough, for an emergency repeat performance. While our good American neighbours joined in, from the print-out in the event program, their faces were puzzled. Unfortunately somehow the words to the first and second verse had been reversed. As Bruce sang out strongly "O Canada, our home and native land," there was a resounding chorus of "O Canada, where pines and maples grow" from the crowded stands.

Plan to bring your Valentine to the Kinmount Legion Branch 441 and enjoy its Valentine's dance coming up this Saturday, Feb. 12 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m.

This will be a return engagement for the popular Canadian Gypsy Band and the \$5 admission price at the door includes a light lunch and spot/door prizes.

For more information, give Tracy a call at 705-488-2810 and also inquire about the many other ongoing activities at the branch.

Friends of the Rail Trail will hold a screening of Two Short Films on the Railway Days in Haliburton on Thursday, Feb. 17 at the Rails End Gallery, 23 York Street, Haliburton Village. Doors will open at 7 p.m. with admission by donation. For more information on this event call Pamela at 705-457-4767. I have seen these two short films and highly recommend them to those interested in both railway and local history. This single DVD is available for purchase at various locations one being the Kinmount Artisans Market-

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Thanx to everyone involved.

Your most ardent cheerleader,
Brenda

place. The marketplace is now open on its winter schedule of Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Kinmount's annual Winterfest will kick off this Sunday, Feb. 13 with a delicious pancake breakfast being served up at the community centre from 8 to 11 a.m. along with a country raffle. Following that it's off to the arena and fairgrounds for a fun-filled day of family activities including the down hill dash, snow angel decorating, chili cook off, skating (helmets mandatory for under 16 years), hockey game and skills and much more. Be sure to check out the special displays of ice sculpturing by Minden's Mike Muli and wood carving by Omemee-based Gerald Guenkel. For specific details visit www.kinmount.ca.

Stock up on your winter reading at the monthly book sale by the Friends of the Kinmount Library being held on Saturday, Feb. 19 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the lower level of the branch. The after-school craft program suitable for all ages will be on Tuesday, Feb. 15 starting at 5 p.m. In addition to the regular computer sessions now being offered there will also be computer workshops for children scheduled during the March school break. Librarian MaryAnne Dobsi can bring you up to date on the many programs and services being provided at this very active branch so give her a call at 705-488-3199.

At the Kinmount Legion Branch 441 it's big bucks bid euchre on Wednesday, Feb. 16 at 11 a.m. The cost is \$10, which includes lunch. The following week it will be lunch at the legion on Tuesday, Feb. 22 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at a cost of \$6.

As the cold weather continues the schedule at the Kinmount arena now has an added event with a game of shinny being played on Wednesdays evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. Public skating continues on Fridays and Saturdays from 7 to 9 p.m., Saturdays 1 to 3 p.m., Sundays 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the Kinmount Knights hockey on Sundays from 1 to 3 p.m.

Mark your calendars now for the *Kinmount Gazette* & Victoria Pony Club annual dinner and Loonie auction on Saturday, March 5 at the Galway Hall. For advance tickets please contact a committee member or call 705-488-2547. The committee would also welcome calls from anyone interested in donating a prize for the Raffle. Funds raised help support these two community endeavours.

Until next week...



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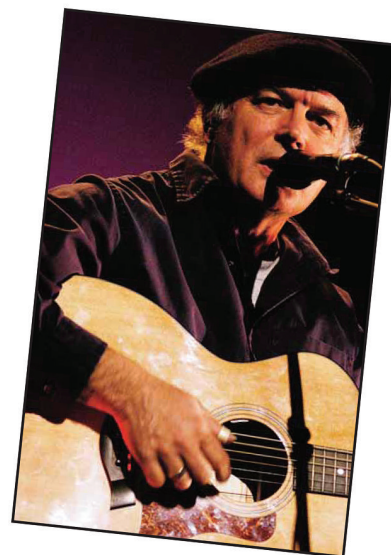
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Coming Events



HALIBURTON MOVIE NIGHTS

Thursday, February 10/11:

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community calendar

What's happening in the County

Post your event for free on the web. Go to: www.mindentimes.ca or

to the  Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: www.haliburtonecho.ca

February 7: Highlands Parent-Child Mother Goose: at The Haliburton OEYC on Monday mornings from 10-11 Parents with children birth to 2 yrs. join us for this 10 week program to learn rhymes, songs and stories together in a relaxed environment. This is offered in partnership with Point in Time. Please register at 705-286-4625 or email oeyparented@bellnet.ca

February 9: Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild Meeting at Stanhope Community Centre Northshore Rd. Come and hear Joanne Miezner talk about Shiva Oils & what you can do on fabric. Everyone is welcome. For more information please contact Sharon @ 705-286-1531

February 9: Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group invites you to visit the historic immigration quarantine centre on Grosse Ile. Ellie MacNeil takes us through the Irish Memorial National Historic Site where thousands of Irish Immigrants were housed in 1847-48. This free meeting will be held at the Minden Legion, 12847 Hwy #35, across from County Rd 21. Doors open at 6pm. Bring & Win Raffle and refreshments available. Guests welcome. For more information please contact Gail Leach-Wunker 705-286-2225.

February 9, MINDEN: Meet the Nurse, Wednesday, February 9, 10 am to noon, Ontario Early Years Centre (144 Bobcaygeon Rd in Sears Building) in Minden. Parents with children up to age six years can meet with a Public Health Nurse. The nurse can weigh the baby, provide breastfeeding support, screen for speech concerns and discuss infant care, growth and development and other parental concerns. Call (705) 457-1391 for more information.

February 10th MEET AND GREET GOODERHAM - from 6:00 to 7:00 pm at the Gooderham Community Centre Come and bring your children and meet the staff from Point in Time. There will be fun activities for the children and a time for parents to have a break and ask questions. Fun Food Activities! Please contact Dawn Hurd at 705-457-5345 Ext. 311 to register.

Feb 12: "My Funny Valentine" Beginning at 7:30 p.m. Love Songs from Musical Theatre performed by Beth Kipping & Melissa Stephens. An intimate concert in artful surroundings! Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre. Tickets \$30 705-457-2330 info@railsendgallery.com

February 12 Dorset Poker Rally held at Lions Camp Dorset Pre-registration Friday: 7 to 9 p.m. Registration Saturday: 9 to 11 a.m. 300 riders w/ OFSC trail permits. Poker Hands \$30.00 \$50.00 worth of pledges allows you to ride free, pledge forms available at Lions Camp Dorset or online at (www.tallpines.org) or (www.lionscampdorset.on.ca). Hands dealt until 4 p.m. Dinner at 4:30 Prizes at 6:30 for further information contact Charmaine 705-766-9263 or Helen 705-766-2662

February 14: CLIMBING CLUB Come out and try our Drop-In Indoor Rock Climbing! The Point in Time Centre for

Children, Youth and Parents CLIMBING CLUB will take place at Camp Medeba Monday evenings Feb 14, 28, March 7, 21 April 4, and 11th. Families' 6:30 to 8:00 pm -children and parents climb together. Youths and Adults 8:00 to 9:00 pm. Cost \$2.00 per person. For more information call Donna at Point in Time at 457-5345 ext. 314 or email donnaa@pointintime.ca

February 17, HALIBURTON: Meet the Nurse, 10 am to noon, Ontario Early Years Centre (83 Maple Ave., Halco Plaza, lower level) in Haliburton. Parents with children up to age six years can meet with a Public Health Nurse. The nurse can weigh the baby, provide breastfeeding support, screen for speech concerns and discuss infant care, growth and development and other parental concerns. Call (705) 457-1391 for more information.

February 17: Top 10 RRSP Tips: The Minden Branch of the Haliburton Public Library presents a series of financial Planning Workshops beginning at 6:30pm Pre-register for these free sessions by calling 705-457-2241

February 18 Children's Learning Centre 4th Annual Hockey Fundraiser- Located at the Minden Arena at 7:00 p.m. The Chicks with Sticks vs The Haliburton Highlands O.P.P Admission: Adult \$5.00 Children 5+ \$3.00 preschoolers FREE. We will have lots of raffle items available! Come join the fun! For more information, please call us at 705-286-4074

February 19: 21st Annual Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival: starting at 8:30am with the Muskoka Shrine Club Hillbilly Pancake Breakfast. Plenty of indoor & outdoor events for more information check out www.dorestsnowball.com

February 19: Valentines Concert 7pm located at the Maple Lake United Church (Hwy 118@ Stanhope Airport Road) featuring local talent- Free will offering at the door. For more information contact Ev at 705-457-3972

February 19: Haliburton Forest & Wild Life Reserve 22nd Annual Poker Run \$50 per person all proceeds to Haliburton Volunteer Fire Department. For more information call 705-754-2198 or visit www.haliburtonforest.com

Events listings are provided **FREE for non-profit groups on a space-available basis.** While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to cthorn@mindentimes.ca or faxed to The Minden Times at 286-4768, emailed to cthorn@mindentimes.ca or brought in to the office.

Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.
NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For more Ongoing Community Events please see the Weekender.

Bald eagle spotted

Guenther Horst captures this American bald eagle, one of two, that have taken up residence near the Scotch Line landfill.



Coins and stamps open meeting

by Pam Rolfe

President, Minden W.I.

Member Mabel Deacon welcomed 11 members and three guests to our January meeting.

The roll call was "Bring an Old Coin or Stamp" and the members responded by searching their treasures and a surprisingly diverse amount of coins and stamps were presented along with the stories of these keepsakes.

One member had a shinplaster, personally I have never seen one, and some coins. There were coins from several countries, old huge pennies from England, a 37-shilling piece from South Africa, some old Canadian stamps, a Roman coin from England, dug up in a garden and some other very interesting things and the stories that went along with them.

I am so proud of our members for responding the way they did. It is never too late to learn something new.

Del read her report of the current events of the district and Clara reported on the work of 2009/10.

In the correspondence from head office, there were several suggestions how to boost the awareness of the WI in the province. We will be discussing this at our next meeting.

In a newspaper from England, there was a poem describing the way to make a perfect cup of tea. We will keep this in mind on Feb. 19 when we get together with friends.

The president reported on the health of two of the members, Bea, who had a nasty fall in December and shattered her ankle, and Mary who had a fall and landed in hospital for Christmas and the New Year, thankfully she arrived home on the morning of the meeting. They are both doing well.

The president read a piece titled "If my body were a car" very funny and oh so true.

Grace was sung and lunch was served by several members.

The next meeting will be at Mary's on Feb. 16 at 1:30, guests welcome.

Call 754-2564 for information.

Museum looking for mannequin



Melissa Alfano

Dorset News

705-766-0076

melalfano@hotmail.com

The Dorset Heritage Museum is looking for a mannequin that could be donated to them for display purposes to show period costumes or uniforms, for example. If you, a friend, or relative, know of anyone who could help, please call Margaret Stroud at 705-766-1334.

The Dorset Ladies Night, "Chick Flick and Chocolate" scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 2 has been rescheduled to take place on Wednesday, March 2 at the Dorset Recreation Centre starting at 7 p.m. For more information or to sign up please call 705-766-9968.

The Lions Camp Dorset and Tall Pines Snowmobile Club Dorset Poker Rally is taking place this Saturday, Feb. 12. For more information, check out their website at www.tallpines.org or call Charmaine at 705-766-9263 or Helen at 705-766-2662.

The 21st annual Dorset Snowball Winter Carnival brochure listing all the events will be in your mailbox this week and are also available at the Dorset Recreation Centre. The final carnival meeting is taking place this week at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Thursday, Feb. 10 at 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to identify areas where help is needed such as a one- or two-hour stint at the souvenir table or helping at the mini snowmobile ride activity to help keep the little riders on track and help with clean-up at the end of the day. If you are interested in participating, come on

out to the meeting and join the fun.

As the work crew will be in on Thursday to set up Snowball, there will be no adult volleyball on Thursday, Feb. 17. Please call the recreation centre if you have any questions at 705-766-9968.

The first event of Snowball starts on Friday, Feb. 18 at 6 p.m. with the annual family skating party. "KJ Chris" will be providing a music and light show. Hot dogs and hot chocolate will be available provided by the Dorset Recreation Committee. Donations to help cover costs and support Snowball will be greatly appreciated.

There are a plethora of winter family fun activities taking place on Saturday, Feb. 19 starting with the Muskoka Shrine Club Hill-billy Pancake Breakfast at the recreation centre from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Next on the agenda is the Snowball parade at 11 a.m. to be followed by the official opening, led by Snowball town crier, Steve Travers.

Activities throughout the day include displays, demonstrations, karaoke, kids' broomball, shinny, hockey shoot-out, snow shoe races, horse-drawn wagon rides, music and entertainment and lots of scrumptious food and much more. For more information, call the Dorset Recreation Centre at 705-766-9968 or have a look at the website, www.dorsetsnowball.com.

Birthday wishes for the week of Feb. 6 to 12 go out to Libby Timbers, Julie Mealus, Esther Fortney, Gail Hope and Gino Ball-estrin. For all who have birthdays, anniversaries and special occasions this week, have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

Atom AEs in tough against Newcastle

Final score: 3-1 loss to Newcastle. Newcastle leads the best of five, one game to none.

Next games: Saturday, Feb. 12 at 4:30 in Newcastle and Sunday, Feb. 13 at 3 in Haliburton

After a two-week wait, Floyd Hall Insurance's Atom AEs started the OMHA quarter finals facing the swift and disciplined Newcastle Stars. Maybe it was the long lay-off, but it took a while for our boys to get moving as Newcastle applied all kinds of pressure in our end. Carson Sisson continued his stellar play and was able to keep it close despite the dominant play of the visiting squad. Still, the Storm came out of the first two periods only down by two. By the start of third, our crew started to find their legs, discovering that they could in fact skate with this team. Early in the period, Bo Stevenson broke out from his end and burst

through to score a beautiful end-to-end goal and suddenly it was a one goal game. A couple of injuries slowed the momentum though, and Newcastle scored again midway through the third to secure the 3-1 win.

Determination and grit could turn their fortunes around next week and our boys must build a belief that they can skate with and beat this team. Be sure and mark your calendars for next week's games as they are sure to be entertaining matches!

Submitted by Jon Petrie

Storm Novice playoff series tied 1-1 with Elmvale

The Peppermill steak and Pasta House Novice team's playoff series with Elmvale is notched at one game apiece in the best of five series. The Storm opened the

series with a 3-1 victory over Elmvale and dropped the second game by a count of 5-2. The teams will play two games next weekend. The puck will drop next Sunday, Feb. 13 at 1:30 at the Haliburton Arena for game four of the series. Come out and support the boys as they will try to take a bite out of the Coyotes.

Submitted by Paul Morissette

Storm Atom A advances in playoffs

The Highland Storm Atom A team was up against Schomberg in the first round of the playoffs and the Storm team did exactly what they had to do, and finished it off in 3 straight wins. Although Friday February 4th was a long day for the boys, they pulled together and ended it with a 4-3 victory, advancing to the next round of the play-

offs. The goal scorers were Owen Patterson Smith, Kyle Cooper, Owen (Smitty) Smith and Nik Dollo. The assists came from Owen Gilbert, Owen (Smitty) Smith, Josh Boice, Nik Dollo, Kyle Cooper and Nolan Flood. Keep it up boys!

The Highland Storm Atom A team is sponsored by Dollo's Foodland.

Submitted by Suzanne Haedicke

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Birthday greetings

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In memoriam

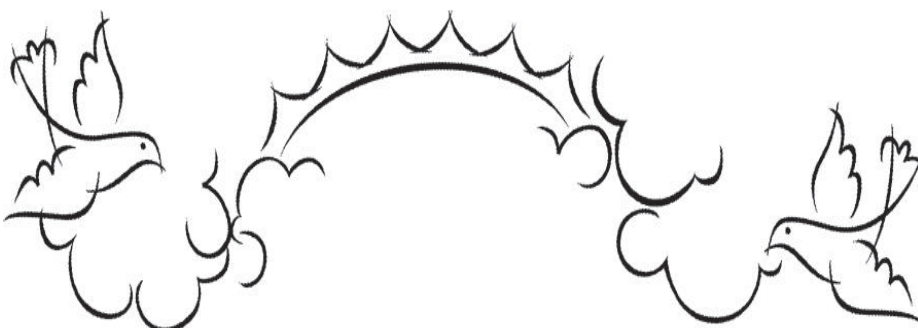
KEN SAWYER- Feb 12, 2008. It's been three long years since you left us Ken. But when I get down and in despair I reach into my Heart because I know you there. We miss you so much Ken. Love Forever: Con, Lorrie, Kelly, Darren, Michael & Logan, Jake and Shelby, Little Cassidy, Mike & Sherry & the Gartshore Family

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Deaths



KERR, Madge Catherine Jessica - In Loving Memory of Madge Catherine Jessica Kerr (nee Campbell) - March 14, 1931 - February 5, 2011 - Passed away peacefully at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home, Minden on Saturday, February 5, 2011. Beloved wife of her high school sweetheart, Dr. John Kerr, after 65 years together. Dear mother of John and his partner Jocelyne, Lynda and her husband David Saracino, Bill and his wife Lisa. Predeceased by her sisters Shiona, Christine, and Colina. Madge's love and kindness will be dearly missed by her grandchildren Christie and her husband Adam Santucci, Steven, Ryan, J.J., Alexandra, Loretta and Beverley, along with all of her nieces and nephews. Madge's beautiful eyes and smile brightened all whom she encountered in her career as a nurse and later as a schoolteacher in Scarborough. Madge was loved by her many friends at Scarborough Golf Club, Maple Leaf Estates Community and Golf, and Blairhampton Golf Courses: the most memorable places where she enjoyed her favorite pastime. Madge loved sharing life and the beauty of Mountain Lake with her loved ones and many visitors over the years. The family would like to thank Dr. Kristy Gammon and the staff at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home for their kindness and care for the past six months. Madge's family will receive friends at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME Ltd.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden on Wednesday, February 9, 2011 from 4:00 until 7:00 pm. Then to Lakeside Baptist Church, Park St., Haliburton for visiting on Thursday, February 10, 2011 from 12:00 o'clock noon until the time of the Service to Celebrate Madge's Life at 1:00pm. As an expression of sympathy and in lieu of flowers, if desired, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Society or to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF).

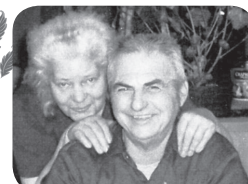
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In memoriam

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Two million times I've cried,
If love could have saved you
You never would have died
Things we feel most deeply
Are the hardest things to say,
My dearest one, I loved you
In a very special way.
If I could have one lifetime wish
One dream that could come true,
And still my only lifetime wish
would be,
For Yesterday and You
Loving wife Forever, Susan

In memoriam

In loving memory of
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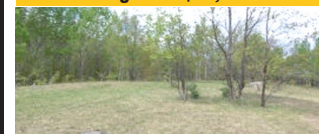
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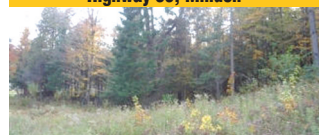
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Little Redstone Lake \$509,000



3 BR, 1.5 Bath cottage/home with 151' waterfront & 3/4 acre. Gorgeous SW Exp. The waterfront has hard-packed sandy entry and deep off dock. Fully furnished along with 5 newer appliances.

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West Lake 199,900



Two adjacent waterfront lots, easy year round access via township road, close to village of Haliburton and all amenities, great trees, super lake, terrific home or cottage sites. Price is per lot, HST in addition.

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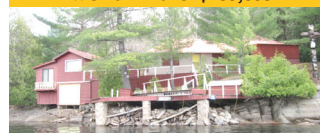
Wilberforce Home \$129,900



3 bedroom, practical floor plan, lower level family room, maintenance free exterior, on large, corner lot, centrally located close to amenities & Dark Lake.

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Little Hawk Lake \$299,000



Boat Little & Big Hawk Lakes from this beautiful completely furnished cottage also comes with a 2 bedroom bunkie, chalet & workshop. Bonus - 4 boats & 2 canoes!

Ed Gibbons 286-2138 x 28

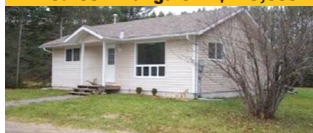
Cranberry Lake \$379,900



Fantastic opportunity minutes from the ski hill. This 3+1 bdrm waterfront home/cottage oozes comfort and charm. Open concept, vaulted ceilings, spa room, screened room, finished rec. room, double car garage and more. Call for further details.

Drew Bishop 457-2128 x 23

2 Bedroom Bungalow \$149,900



Maintenance free vinyl clad exterior siding and windows, large living room, Kitchen/Dinette with newer cabinets & patio door out to large deck. Full high unfinished basement. Immediate possession.

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Beautiful Cedar Lake \$329,000



This terrific 2+ bedroom cottage features 2 bathrooms and a main floor laundry on a great level lot with easy access and wonderful sunset views.

David Lee 286-2138 x 27

Almost Waterfront \$94,900



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Beautiful Crego Lake \$275,000



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Tom Ecclestone 286-2138 x 26

Four Season Retreat \$299,000



Wonderful 3 bedroom features 3 bathrooms and a walk-out basement. Large southern exposure waterfrontage has access into a 3-lake chain.

Karen Nimigon 457-2128 x 29

South Lake Condo \$569,900



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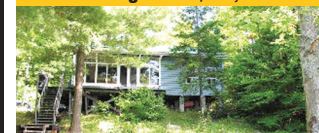
Brady Lake \$329,000



Year round home with garage on flat lot and 390 feet of shoreline. 1483 s.f. with full unfinished basement, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, main floor laundry and a detached insulated garage plus a workshop or studio.

Dagmar Boettcher 489-9968

Kushog Lake \$319,000



Charming 3 BR cottage on well treed lot with 190' of water ftg with good docking for all the toys. 14 miles of boating, great fishing lake and clean sand shoreline.

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